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CITY MANAGER'S WEEKLY UPDATE
September 24, 2004

Dear Mayor, Councilmembers, Residents and Employees:

SeaTac Parks Department Conducts Community Meetings: The City of SeaTac Parks and Recreation Department conducted two Community Meetings to gain citizen input in regard to future Park Capital Project plans. Staff will be submitting the Parks Capital budget to the City Council and wanted to listen to public ideas on the Parks Capital Project plans. The meetings were held on Tuesday September 7, at 6:30 PM, at the Valley Ridge Community Center and Friday September 17, at 12:30 PM, at the North SeaTac Park Community Center. 28 citizens attended the evening meeting at Valley Ridge Community Center and 9 citizens attended the daytime meeting at North SeaTac Park Community Center. The City Council will be given a complete list of the citizen's ideas in the next few weeks. The two projects that rated highest overall were the Senior Center and Valley Ridge Park sport field improvements.


Sea-Tac Airport Traffic Increases: Attached is a copy of the front-page article from the September 17-23, 2004 issue of the *Puget Sound Business Journal*. The article states that passenger traffic at Sea-Tac Airport is increasing and is now projected to return to the peak level experienced before the September 11, 2001 terrorist attack. The article also reports on the completed improvements at the Airport, as well as future plans.

Fall luncheon at the Senior Program: The Senior Program celebrated the pending arrival of autumn with a special luncheon on Tuesday, September 21. *The Pacemakers*, a 40 member senior adult choir, traveled all the way from Grants Pass, Oregon to provide the entertainment. The choir sang a variety of songs from sing-a-longs, old time favorites, patriotic, and inspirational. More than 80 seniors enjoyed the outstanding performance that lasted for an hour. Afterwards, volunteers served a ham dinner and apple pie a la mode. It was a remarkable day that will not soon be forgotten by those in attendance.

Police News: Shortly after 1:00 AM, September 24, 2004, 911 telephone calls were received by the Communications Center reporting numerous shots fired at a motel located in the 16500 block of International Boulevard. Patrol units from SeaTac, Burien, and the Sheriff's Office responded to the scene. Responding officers discovered that shots were still being fired.

Officers isolated and contained the scene, then coordinated the evacuation and relocation of a large number of guests from the motel. Guests from one room were not able to evacuate until the arrival and assistance of TAC-30 (SWAT). Attempts to contact and negotiate with the shooter were unsuccessful. At 4:35 AM, TAC-30 entered the room and discovered that the shooter, a male in his late 20's, had shot himself. SeaTac Fire responded along with Medic One and transported the shooter to Harborview Hospital. A Sheriff's Chaplain responded to support family members who arrived at the motel. Chief Somers served as Incident Commander.

- September and October Calendars
- Agendas: Planning Commission 9/27/04
 Council Budget Workshop III 9/28/04
- Minutes: Land Use and Parks Committee 9/9/04


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Business Leaders Get It.

Sea-Tac Airport traffic takes off

By GREG LAMM
STAFF WRITER

Lifted by a rebounding economy and discounted airline prices, passenger traffic at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport has jumped by 8 percent so far in 2004 and is now projected to return at last to the peak it reached prior to the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.

The recent rise in passenger traffic follows a prolonged period of sluggishness and counteracts a slow start to the year, as January 2004 saw an increase of only 1.4 percent over the previous Janu-

ary. But the trend utterly changed immediately thereafter.

"We're certainly grateful to see it," said airport director Mark Reis, who has watched Sea-Tac weather two flat years after passenger traffic took a dive in 2001.

This year Sea-Tac is on pace to surpass 28 million passengers, which would return the airport to the lofty level it saw in 2000, Reis said.

But even as this year's passenger traffic approaches record numbers, it is not a sign that the

ON THE RISE



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Source: Port of Seattle

AIRPORT: Traffic set to return to pre-9/11 levels

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struggling airlines are truly healthy again. Despite the increase in passengers, airlines have actually flown about 18 percent fewer flights in and out of Sea-Tac this year when compared with 2000. Many airlines are flying bigger planes and packing them fuller as they struggle to cut costs and build their customer bases, Reis said.

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United Airlines and US Airways have filed for bankruptcy protection, and Delta Air Lines could wind up in bankruptcy court as well. Meanwhile, Seattle-based Alaska Airlines recently announced it was cutting 900 jobs and outsourcing its jet maintenance. But despite the cuts, Alaska Airlines and Horizon, which combined make up nearly half the commercial airline traffic at Sea-Tac, have no plans to alter

levels of service flying in and out of Sea-Tac, said airline spokesman Sam Sperry.

Sea-Tac saw an 12.6 percent spike in passenger traffic in March and a 12 jump in April. Reis said those would seem like "startling" increases, but the effect of the SARS scare and the Iraq war significantly depressed air travel in the spring of 2003. Reis said May through July this year, which averaged about 7 percent more passengers vs. 2003, is a better gauge of how much passenger traffic has rebounded.

The bump in passenger traffic comes at a time of significant growth and transition at the nation's 17th-busiest commercial airport, including a new terminal, new gates and construction of a new runway.

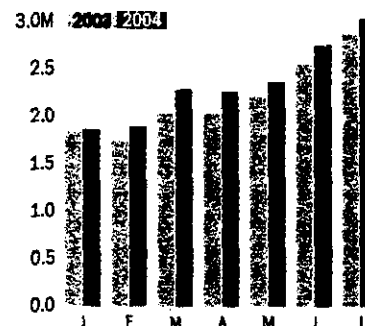
In June, the airport opened the South Terminal, its first new terminal facility in 30 years. The half-mile-long Concourse A added 14 new gates and a dozen shops and restaurants. Meanwhile, the airport's expanded Central Terminal is scheduled to open next April.

In August, an eight-year legal battle ended when surrounding communities dropped their opposition to the airport's plan to build a third runway, paving the way for runway construction, part of a \$4.2 billion expansion plan to ease congestion at the airport.

Also this summer, the Federal Aviation Administration awarded \$61.9 million to fund the third runway, bringing the total federal commitment to the \$1.12 billion project to \$278.4 million. The runway is expected to open in late

BANNER YEAR

Passenger arrivals and departures at Sea-Tac International Airport month-to-month in 2003 and 2004.



SOURCE: Port of Seattle

2008. Funding will remain a challenge, and the airport has been banking on airline fees to pay a portion.

Despite the peak passenger traffic, Reis said the airport has worked with the federal Transportation Security Administration to clear passengers more quickly through airport security checks. TSA has more closely monitored flight loads and adjusted staffing at checkpoints to handle heavy traffic. While there was still some congestion at security checkpoints during busy periods this summer, overall 83 percent of the wait times through the metal detectors were 10 minutes or less during the high travel season. And this year the lines have not stretched beyond the immediate security area. Last year, lines

snaked back beyond ticketing areas over sky bridges and into the parking garage area.




Reis said that while he can't predict the future of the airline industry, he suggested it's unlikely that Sea-Tac would suffer badly even if airline bankruptcies increase. That's partly because Sea-Tac is not a hub-and-spoke airport that heavily depends on an airline's connecting flights — the kinds of flights that can be moved to other airports to cut costs. At Sea-Tac, 76 percent of passengers either start or end their trips here. Because of that, if a carrier were to pull out, Reis said it is likely another would move in to grab the market share.

Reis said the airport is looking for ways to keep costs down and grow its non-airline revenues. The airport wants to add more attractive parking and also plans to add more shopping and restaurants at the new Central Terminal, including an Anthony's seafood restaurant, a food court with Wendy's and Ivar's, and a National Geographic store and a Borders bookstore.

The expansion is good news for HMS Host, which operates restaurants and Starbucks at the airport. The company is temporarily closing C.J. Borg's Microbrewery because of the Central Terminal work. But HMS Host has plans for a Chateau Ste. Michelle Wine Bar and a boutique restaurant when the project is completed next year.

"Traffic's strong there, following a national trend," said HMS Host spokesman David Milobsky. "We're very optimistic about the future there."

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 <h1>September 2004</h1> 						
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6 City Hall Closed 	7 T&PW 3pm (Airport Conf RM 345) Park Capital Projects-Community Mtg 6:30pm (Valley Ridge Community Ctr)	8 Human Rel Adv Com 6pm (Riverton Training RM 128)	9 Joint Step Hotel/Motel 10am (Riverton Training RM 128)& Hotel/Motel Mtg. 11am (Riverton Training RM 128) LUP 4pm (Airport Conf RM 345)	10 SWKC Chamber Lunch 11:30am (Sea-Tac International Airport)	11
12	13 Civil Svs Com 3:30pm (Cancelled) PC 5:30pm (Cancelled) Human Svs Adv Com 6pm (Riverton Training RM 128)	14 A&F 2pm (Airport Conf RM 345) PS&J 3:30pm (Airport Conf RM 345) SS 5pm (CC RM 105)/ RCM 6:30pm (CC RM105) Library Adv Com 5:30pm (Cancelled)	15 Composting Conservation Class 6pm (CC RM 105)	16 Sr Citizen Adv Com 10am (NSPCC) Hearing Examiner 6pm (CC RM 105)	17 Park Capital Projects-Community Mtg 12:30pm (NSPCC)	18
19	20	21 Council Budget Workshop II 1pm (Executive Conf RM 109)	22 Conservation Class 6pm (CC RM 105)	23	24	25
26	27 PC 5:30pm (CC RM 105)	28 Council Budget Workshop III 10am (Executive Conf RM 109) T&PW 3pm CANCELLED SS 5pm (CC RM 105)/ RCM 6:30pm (CC RM 105)	29	30		

MEETING LEGEND:

A&F Administration & Finance
LUP Land Use & Parks
PC Planning Commission
PS&J Public Safety & Justice
PSRC Puget Sound Regional Council

RCM Regular Council Meeting
SCA Suburban Cities Association
SCM Special Council Meeting
SS Study Session
SSS Special Study Session
SWKC Southwest King County Chamber
T&PW Transportation & Public Works


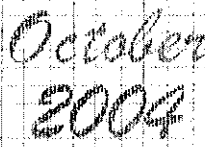
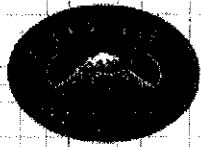




MEETING Location

(CC RM 105) Council Chambers*
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(VRCC) Valley Ridge Community Center
(VV Library) Valley View Library

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3	4 PC 5:30pm (CC RM 105)	5 Council Budget Workshop IV 10am (Exec Conf RM 109)	6	7 SWKC Chamber Lunch 11:30am (Gordy's Steak and BBQ Smokehouse)	8	9 Recycling Collection Event 9am (Tyee High School)
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**CITY OF SEATAC
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING**

September 27, 2004

**Council Chambers, SeaTac City Hall, 4800 S. 188th Street
5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.**

MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order/Roll Call – 5:30 P.M.
2. Approve Minutes of August 30, 2004 – 5:30 to 5:35 P.M.
3. Public Hearing – 5:35 to 5:45 P.M.
 - Staff Presentation on Proposed Zoning Code Amendments Related to Clarifying the Parking Garage Standards within the City Center and Creating a New Definition for a “Mural” and a “Mural sign”
 - Public Hearing on the Proposed Zoning Code Amendments
 - Discussion about Possible Recommendation to the City Council Regarding the Proposed Zoning Code Amendments
4. Old Business – 5:45 to 7:00 P.M.
 - Continued Review of 2004 Proposed Comprehensive Plan Amendments’ “Final Docket” *(with a focus on Transportation, Community Image, and Environmental Management)*
 - Continued Discussion about Proposed Amendments to the Wireless Communications Facility (WCF) Regulations
5. New Business – 7:00 to 7:15 P.M.
 - Initial Review of Potential Zoning Code Amendments regarding Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU’s)
6. Commission Liaison's Report – 7:15 to 7:25 P.M.
7. Planning Director's Report – 7:25 to 7:30 P.M.
8. Adjournment – 7:30 P.M.

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**CITY OF SEATAC COUNCIL
2005 BUDGET WORKSHOP III
September 28, 2004
10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. – Conference Room 109**

AGENDA

Department Presentations:

Parks and Recreation
Planning and Community Development
City Attorney
Finance and Systems
Municipal Court
Police Services

Visioning

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(Note: To Be Approved by City Council on September 28, 2004)

City Council Committee Meeting Land Use and Parks Committee (LUP)

September 9, 2004

4:00 P.M./Airport Conference Room - 345

Present:

Chris Wythe, Chair
Terry Anderson
Ralph Shape

Absent:

Commence:

4:00 P.M.

Adjourn:

6:10 P.M.

Others Present:

Steve Butler
Craig Ward
Mike Scarey
Kitty Rasmussen
Shana Restall

Brian Galloway
Julie Elsensohn
Heather Bornhorst
Jon Taylor
Tom Dantzler

Joe Dixon
Leonard McGhee
David Hewitt
Greg Ball
Steve Sheehy

Carolyn Cloutier

Staff Coordinator: Steve Butler, Director, Department of Planning & Community Development

AB #	Topic	Disposition
	1. Presentation on the Proposed Conceptual Design for the Port of Seattle's Rental Car Facility	<u>X</u> Informational Update ___ Recommended for: ___ Approval ___ Approval with modifications ___ Denial <u>X</u> Referred to <u>future Land Use & Parks Committee & Council of the Whole</u> • Twelve rental car companies serve the airport (five are located on-site, currently); representing 80% to 85% of cars rented. Four companies are located off-site (20% of market); remainder are small "mom & pop" companies - < 1%. • The five on-site and four off-site rental car companies will relocate to a proposed consolidated "rental car facility (RCF)." • The project is needed because there is not enough room in the existing terminal parking lot. • The Port has already acquired some properties, and is in the process of acquiring the remainder.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council Member Anderson asked how many businesses have or will be acquired by the Port? Heather Bornhorst said she would provide that information. • There will be a busing operation between the main terminal and the RCF. • \$1.2 million of the Port's landscaping commitment will occur at this site. • \$230 million total project cost. • Access routes were then described. • The Land Use & Parks Committee asked questions about the use of the triangular parcel at International Boulevard & South 160th Street. • Retail in the building wouldn't be feasible, according to the Port. • Street appearance is also an issue to the City. • The Land Use & Parks Committee discussed what types of uses/treatments could be made to this area. • Taxi holding area will be on the south side of South 160th Street – driveways will be consolidated. • Question: Are there customer services for rental car customers? Answer: No. • The Land Use & Parks Committee would like to be briefed on this project again in the near future. They also asked for a briefing to the entire City Council.
	<p>2. Presentation on Sound Transit's South 154th Street Light Rail Transit (LRT) Station Design</p>	<p><u> X </u> Informational Update <u> </u> Recommended for: <u> </u> Approval <u> </u> Approval with modifications <u> </u> Denial <u> </u> Referred to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project design is 99% complete; Sound Transit has accommodated several of SeaTac's comments into the station design. • Tukwila held a public hearing this past Tuesday regarding the station and its design. • The station is at South 154th Street and International Boulevard, in the southeastern corner. • Total parking spaces will be 600. • There will be both vehicular and pedestrian access ways. • There will be both overall site and pedestrian-oriented lighting, as well as many CCTV's. • Good design treatment on the western elevation facing International Boulevard. • Three public art pieces are located within the station.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In response to a question from Council Member Ralph Shape, David Hewitt explained that the station was designed to accommodate the extension on to the airport. • The station is expected to open in early 2009. • Craig Ward noted that Sound Transit is purchasing a ladder truck for Tukwila's Fire Department.
	3. Overview of the "South Tukwila" Development Being Proposed by La Pienta, LLC	<p><u>X</u> Informational Update ___ Recommended for:</p> <p>___ Approval ___ Approval with modifications ___ Denial ___ Referred to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The development scenario being proposed by the Segale family was reviewed by City Staff. • It is planned for up to 14 million square feet of mixed use development. • Council Member Terry Anderson expressed concern that this site might be used for commercial park 'n fly in the short term. • Vehicular access to and from the site is a major issue. • This project <u>may</u> evolve into competition with SeaTac's Urban Center.
	4. Discussion about Potential Zoning Code Amendments Regarding Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU's)	<p><u>X</u> Informational Update ___ Recommended for:</p> <p>___ Approval ___ Approval with modifications ___ Denial <u>X</u> Referred to <u>the Planning Commission for consideration</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First considered by the City Council in 2001. • This proposal ties in with the "reasonable measures" to accommodate future population growth, as was discussed at August's Land Use & Parks Committee meeting. • The proposed changes address issues such as owner occupancy, relationship to main building, ADU size (minimum and maximum), parking requirements, location of entrance, and number of ADU's allowed per single family structure (only one allowed). • Staff feels that the ADU code provisions would satisfy the "reasonable measures" requirement. • Concerns were expressed by the LUP Committee about how to avoid excessive parking situations.

	<p>5. Continued Discussion about Coordinating SeaTac's Domestic Animals Regulations and King County (KC) Animal Control Division's Requirements</p>	<p><u> </u> Informational Update <u> X </u> Recommended for: <u> </u> Approval <u> X </u> Approval with modifications <u> </u> Denial <u> X </u> Referred to <u>the Planning Commission</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SeaTac has an interlocal with King County (KC) for animal control services; the interlocal specifies that SeaTac adopt regulations similar to the KC Animal Control Code; these are then enforced by KC Animal Control (KCAC). • SeaTac has adopted most KCAC Code provisions, but not the one requiring a Hobby Kennel/Cattery for 4 or more adult dogs and/or cats; previous to last year's Zoning Code change, SeaTac did not allow 4 or more dogs and/or cats. • KCAC uses the Hobby Kennel/Cattery regulations on fencing and neighborhood compatibility as a tool when there are complaints. • Tom Phillips stated KCAC has been very responsive when there are animal control issues. • Staff recommends the SMC be modified to adopt the Hobby Kennel/Cattery provision. • SeaTac could decide to modify some of King County's Hobby Kennel/Cattery regulations. For example, the City could clarify that King County's standards could apply to only SeaTac's maximum number of outside animals. • LUP agreed with the modified staff recommendation.
	<p>6. Update about Proposed Wireless Communication Facilities (WCF) Regulations</p>	<p><u> </u> Informational Update <u> X </u> Recommended for: <u> X </u> Approval <u> </u> Approval with modifications <u> </u> Denial <u> X </u> Referred to <u>the Planning Commission</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff gave a status update, and described a tentative schedule that would tentatively have the public hearing occur on October 26, with City Council action on either November 9 or November 23. • Staff discussed one new approach that would provide incentives for "mitigation" of existing non-concealed facilities, in cases where a new facility would completely remove the old non-concealed facility. • The Land Use & Parks Committee approved of this new approach.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The latest hierarchy was also reviewed, which gives some priority to City-owned facilities.• The Land Use & Parks Committee was also supportive of this approach.
	7. Continued Discussion about Forming a Neighborhood Revitalization Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none">___ Informational Update___ Recommended for:<ul style="list-style-type: none">___ Approval___ Approval with modifications___ Denial___ Referred• Deferred until a future meeting.